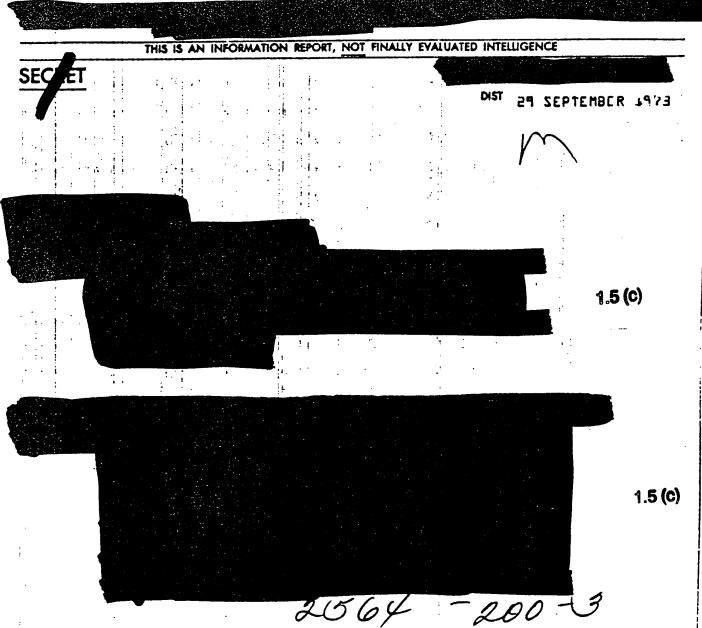






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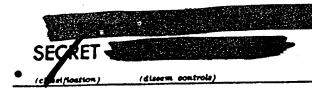
1. AS OF LATE SEPTEMBER 1973

THE CHRISTIAN

DEMOCRATIC PARTY (PDC) CONSIDERED THE MILITARY JUNTA TO BE LESS UNIFIED THAN IT HAD BEEN PREVIOUSLY. THEY BELIEVED THAT GENERAL

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GUSTAVO . E I G H CONTINUES TO BE THE STRONG MAN OF THE

JUNTA, AND THAT HE IS A VIGOROUS CHAMPION OF A HARD-LINE MILITARY

GOVERNMENT, FAVORING RETENTION OF POHER BY THE MILITARY FOR

AN INDEFINITE PERIOD AND FAVORING DIRECTIONS WHICH THE PDC

VIEWS AS BEING ALONG THE LINES OF A CORPORATE STATE. THE PDC

LEADERS ALSO CONSIDER THAT JUNTA PRESIDENT GENERAL AUGUSTO

P I N O C H E T AND JUNTA MEMBER GENERAL CESAR H E N D O Z A

FAVOR A SOFT-LINE GOVERNMENT, AND THAT ADMIRAL JOSE M E R I N O

FLUCTUATES BETWEEN SUPPORTING THESE THO SEPARATE PHILOSOPHIES.

2. GENERAL MENDOZA HAS SENT'A MESSAGE THROUGH A MEDIUM-LEVEL PDC MEMBER REQUESTING A MEETING WITH PATRICIO A Y L W I N. PDC PRESIDENT. GENERAL PINOCHET ALSO HAS INDICATED TO THE PDC THAT HE WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH AYLWIN IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

3. ON SEPTEMBER 1973

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THAT THE SUSPENSION OF ALL

POLITICAL ACTIVITIES WOULD OFFICIALLY BE DECLARED IN THE NEAR FUTURE. AND HE SAID THAT ALL POLITICAL PARTIES WOULD HAVE TO

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COMMENT: THE PDC IS IN THE PROCESS OF TRANSFERRING

PROPERTIES REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF THE PARTY TO PRIVATE

INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE PDC MEMBERS OR SYMPATHIZERS. PARTY LEADERS

ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE FATE OF RADIO BALMACEDA IN SANTIAGO,

WHICH IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF THE PDC AND IS WIDELY KNOWN

TO BE OWNED BY THE PARTY. HOWEVER, MANY OF THE OTHER PDC MEDIA

AND PROPAGANDA INSTRUMENTS HAVE BEEN IN THE NAMES OF PRIVATE

INDIVIDUALS SINCE WELL BEFORE THE 11 SEPTEMBER COUP. THESE

INCLUDE "LA PRENSA," THE PARTY NEWSPAPER, AND "RADIO COOPERATIVA,"

THE PDC'S OTHER MAJOR RADIO STATION IN SANTIAGO.)

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